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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Matthew Vacek et al.
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Title: COMPOSITE SOFTBALL BAT

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER
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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated May 1, 2003, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-3 and 5-8 of the above-identified patent application.

A request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's rejection is submitted herewith along with payment of the required extension fee.

Our check in the amount of \$165.00 is enclosed to pay the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b). Please charge any required additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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